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To: Westfield Board of Works

From: Melody Jones

CC: Todd Burtron

Date: January 27, 2012

RE: Park Improvements as of January 2012

Dear Board Members:

The Parks and Recreation Department have spent the last two weeks in January in training. First at the Indiana Parks and Recreation State Conference and the administrative team spent last week at the NRPA Special Event Management School. We look forward to continuing to grow as a department and to enrich the lives of all who visit our parks and facilities in 2012.

PARKS

Signage

CSI Signs have completed the installation of all regulatory signs in the parks. Due to the wet weather the park identification monument signs have not been completed.

We will have the design and construction documents for Old Friends Cemetery Park interpretive signs by the end of February. They will go out for quotes in March.

Trees

The Parks Maintenance Division is concentrating on tree pruning and removal based on the tree inventory taken last year. Inspections and tree work will be done as laid out in the Tree Inspection Policy. We are excited about the technology, Informatics has helped us refine so the maintenance team can update the inventory in the field.

OTHER ITEMS

Trail Overlay

The Trail Overlay Zoning Ordinance continues to be worked on by the Councils Ordinance Committee. The next meeting is set for February 7th.

Grand Junction

Traynor and Associates are currently working on appraisals for Grand Junction. We should have the first completed documents in the next few weeks.

Park Impact Fee Ordinance

The Parks Department and Brian Zaiger have begun to review the Park Impact Fee Ordinance according to the Indiana State statute. It has been five years since the last revision.

Westfield Rocks the 4th

The executive committee for Westfield Rocks the 4th 2012 started meeting two months ago. All chair positions are filled and we are well on our way to planning a spectacular event for this year. We have obtained all necessary approvals from the school. This year's event will take place on Wednesday, July 4th. Mark your calendar.

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